## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s):

AKIBA ET AL.

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CIRCUIT BOARD

Group Art Unit: 2841

Examiner:

J. Vigushin

## <u>UNDER 37 CFR §§ 1.97 AND 1.98</u>

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

September 21, 2001

SIR:

In the matter of the above-identified application, applicants are attaching hereto a listing in a form equivalent to Form PTO-1449 of all the art documents of record (cited by the Examiner/submitted by applicants during prosecution of the corresponding prior application) pursuant to the duty of disclosure/candor requirements.

This Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is being submitted concurrently with the filing of the above-identified continuation application and, therefore, this IDS meets the requirements pursuant to 37 CFR §1.97(b).

It is also understood that since copies of the listed documents should be available in the file wrapper of the prior application, copies thereof are not included herewith,

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consistent with 37 CFR §1.98(d) and pursuant to the guidelines set forth in MPEP 609.

As to the requirement of 37 CFR §1.98(a)(3), for a concise explanation of relevance to the extent that any of the listed documents is not in the English language, this is met by: the discussion thereof in the original specification and/or during the prosecution history of the above-prior application, the submission of an International Search Report and International Preliminary Examination Report (both in English) in the prior file history, the submission of English language abstracts in the prior file history as well as the citation thereof by the Examiner in the prior application.

It is submitted, this IDS is in compliance with the rules of practice as well as with USPTO guidelines. Therefore, applicants respectfully request that it be entered and duly considered by the USPTO. Also, acknowledgement of such entry as well as of formal consideration thereof by the Examiner is respectfully requested.

If any costs are due in accordance with the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement, please charge the same to the account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Account No. 01-2135 (500.35516CX1).

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